



PICNIC FOR PARKS!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31
HIDDEN CREEK
215 CHRIS CUNY BOULEVARD, HEATH

HAMBURGER SUPPER | 5:30-6:30 P.M.
FREE, but reservations are required at heathtx.com
COMMUNITY INPUT MEETING | 6:30-8 P.M.

Come learn about the City-wide Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan, share your ideas, and enjoy a delicious hamburger supper provided by In-N-Out Burger...all within the beautiful setting of Heath's Hidden Creek events venue!

The City of Heath Park Board is hosting this community event to get your input on the Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan now being developed in partnership with the Dallas-based consulting firm, la terra studio, inc. Ideas from all ages and life stages are welcome, including elementary, middle and high school age students. The hamburger dinner is free, but reservations are required by August 25. Register online at heathtx.com.

Questions? Contact Suzanne Brooke at sbrooke@heathtx.com.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

FM 740

The TXDOT contractor is working to complete all four lanes between Smirl (City Hall) and the FM-740/ FM-550 intersection (Shell) prior to the first day of school on August 28. It is anticipated that four lanes will be open along the entire length of the project from Smirl to Heath Crossing (CVS) by the end of December, although TXDOT will continue to install sidewalks and grass and perform clean-up after December.

Signal lights should also be installed and operational by the end of December. The traffic signals will be located at the following intersections: FM-740 and Hawk Drive; FM-740 and Smirl; and FM-740 and FM-550.

RABBIT RIDGE-HORIZON ROAD PROJECT

Construction has begun on two lanes of the concrete roadway along Rabbit Ridge from Dennis Bailey to Horizon Road; and along Horizon Road, from Old Vineyard to Rabbit Ridge. It is estimated that it will take seven months to complete the project.

ROCKWALL CERT SEEKING HEATH MEMBERS

The Rockwall Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), which serves the entire Rockwall County area, is seeking Heath residents. If you have ever wanted to be of service during a disaster such as the Rowlett/Garland tornados in 2015, this is your opportunity. The next two-day Basic Training Class will be held on September 23 and 30 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The curriculum includes indoor and outdoor training on disaster preparedness, fire safety, controlling utilities, disaster medical operations, light search and rescue, introduction to the incident command system, disaster psychology, and terrorism response.

Learn more and register at www.rockwall.com/FireDepartment/cert.asp.



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CITY OF HEATH CELEBRATES INDEPENDENCE DAY WITH PARADE & PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION IN THE PARK

It was pure red, white and blue hometown Americana in the City of Heath as the community celebrated July 4 with the Annual Independence Day Parade and Patriotic Program in the Park afterwards.

During the program, Mayor Brian Berry presented the parade awards and honored attending veterans. Pastor Phil Alford of the First Baptist Church of Heath led the invocation; Boy Scout Troop 989 posted the colors; and a live barbershop quartet sang the national anthem and other American favorites. Everyone cooled down with free popsicles, ice cold water and mini blueberry, cherry and buttermilk pies. A highlights video is posted at www.heathtx.com.

THE 2017 PARADE AWARD WINNERS ARE:

1. Mayor's Award & Best Community Float – Hard Hats in Heath (Gerkens; Kelleher; Knox; Lovell; Martin; Mouse; Scott; Spicer; Spraggins & Warren families).
2. Best Bicycle – Makayla & Jillian Schulte, with Madison Smith
3. Best Classic Car – Jerry & Terry Hill, Ford Model A
4. Best Costume – Rodney Wheeler, Batman
5. Best Vintage Charm – Jerry Koerr, 1961 Harvester Fire Truck
6. Best Golf Cart – The Compton & Buchanan Families
7. Best Off-Road Vehicle – Max Allen
8. Most Patriotic Spirit – Rod Holland, Uncle Sam
9. Most Patriotic Pet – Olivia Horvath, riding Chance; Gabby Ruffini, riding Diamond

The City thanks the Special Events Board, sponsors, volunteers, Heath DPS and City staff who make community celebrations like the Independence Day Parade and Patriotic Program in the Park possible.

HEATH CITY COUNCIL APPOINTS NEW BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS

Heath has a long legacy of elected and appointed leaders who have helped make this community a premier hometown. The City Council recently appointed new board and commission members to complete a full roster of citizens who are currently serving:

PARK BOARD

Mark King, Chairman
Eric Anderson
Patrick Cummins
Katie Dyer
Evan Jarcy
Rich Krause
Jason Severn

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Steve McKimmey, Chairman
Clinton Howie, Vice-Chairman
Harry Heinkle
Jayson Killough
Joe Ruskiewicz
Bob Shaw
James Tunnell

SPECIAL EVENTS BOARD

Jenni Knox, Chairman
Tami Hogan
Neely Holland
Mary Luxton
Amanda Rosander

TAKE AREA APPEALS PANEL

Ira Berger
Chris Cuny
Robert Lang
Ron LaRoux
Larry McDaniel

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Ron Wasson, Chairman
Nathan Goodnight, Vice-Chairman
John Beaman
Dunham Biles
Brett Lee
Gary Vice
Erich Wynn

HEDC/HMBC

David Lane, President
Vicki Alexander, Vice-President
Cynthia Allen
Sandra Doyle
Kelson Elam
Justin Saunders
Terry Turner
Brian P. Berry, Ex Officio

If you are interested in being considered for future appointments, please complete the City's volunteer application and submit to City Secretary Norma Duncan. You can find the application online at www.heathtx.com.